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Lower Fox River and Green Bay

The Feasibility Study (FS) developed and evaluated a range of remedial alternatives for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay (Figure 1) to manage the risk associated with the presence of industrial contaminants discharged to the river. This

RI/FS report is consistent with the findings of the National Academy of Sciences Research Council Report entitled *A Risk Management Strategy for PCB-Contaminated Sediments* (NAS, 2001).

Each alternative was compared to nine evaluation criteria including: reduction, 1) risk 2) overall protectiveness of human health and the environment, 3) implementability, 4) shortterm effectiveness associated with the remedy action, 5) permanence, 6) reduction in toxicity, mobility and volume,

7) cost, 8) regulatory acceptance, and 9) community acceptance.

The area of concern includes the Lower Fox River extending 63 km (39 mi) from Lake Winnebago to the mouth of Green Bay, and includes the entire 4,150 km² (1,600 mi²) of the bay. Remedial alternatives were developed for the four reaches of the Lower Fox River including: Little Lake Butte des Morts, Appleton to Little Rapids, Little Rapids to De Pere, and De Pere to Green Bay (same as Green Bay Zone 1); as well as the four zones of Green Bay: Zone 2, Zone 3A, Zone 3B, and Zone 4.

The purpose of the FS is to support the selection of a remedy that will eliminate,

reduce and/or control short-term and long-The evaluation in the FS used term risks. data developed in the Remedial Investigation (RI), Risk Assessment (RA), and Model Documentation reports to support screening of alternatives. This screening of alternatives followed EPA's Superfund Guidance document for conducting RI/FS studies under CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980).

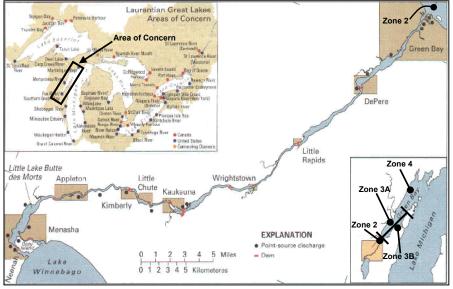


Figure 1 (Fitzgerald & Steuer, 1996)

Site History and PCB Discharges

Between 1954 and 1971, paper mills in the Lower Fox River valley manufactured and recycled carbonless copy paper that contained polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), resulting in the release of an estimated 300,000 kg (600,000 pounds) of PCBs to the river. The highest PCB concentrations detected in site sediments were 223 mg/kg in the Little Lake Butte des Morts Reach and 710 mg/kg in the De Pere to Green Bay Reach. WDNR issued PCB consumption advisories in 1976 and 1983 for fish and waterfowl, respectively. of Michigan also consumption advisories for Green Bay fish in

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1977. These advisories are still in effect today.

PCB Distribution, Volume, and Transport

The Remedial Investigation identified the sources of PCBs, the estimated mass, and volume of PCBs in bedded sediments. The RI also estimated the sediment and PCB mass transport rates. Between 65 and 175 kg of PCBs are transported downstream annually from each reach, and 280 kg of PCBs move into Green Bay annually. A significant portion of the PCB loading that occurs in Green Bay is derived from the Lower Fox River. This transport of PCBs also extends to Lake Michigan.

PCBs discharged into the river, in large part today, remain in the bedded sediments of the river and bay. For sediments containing more than 50 μ g/kg PCBs, approximately 28,600 kg (63,050 pounds) of PCBs remain in the Lower Fox River (Figure 2) compared to approximately 68,200 kg (150,300 pounds) of PCBs in Green Bay (Figure 3). As stated in the RI report, the PCBs are contained within about 11.8 million cy of sediment in the river. In Green Bay, the PCBs are dispersed in a much greater volume of sediment, approximately 610 million cy.

Risks to Human and Ecological Receptors

The chemicals of concern (COCs) from the Baseline Risk Assessment (RA) included polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) (total and selected congeners), mercury, and DDE as the primary compounds of risk to human health and the environment, with PCBs presenting the highest risk. The exposure pathway presenting the greatest

level of risk to both human health and ecological through receptors is fish consumption (other than direct risk to benthic invertebrates). Receptors at risk include recreational anglers, high-intake fish consumers, benthic invertebrates, fish, birds, and riverine mammals. PCBs contribute more than 70 percent of the cancer risks found from the consumption of fish and waterfowl.

The risk assessment also derived sediment quality thresholds (SQTs) that were linked to estimated magnitudes of risk to valued receptors. SQTs were developed for over 100 pathways and receptors and arrayed to show the magnitude and protectiveness of potential risks. SQTs themselves are not cleanup criteria, but were used to evaluate levels of PCB risk and help develop FS action levels.

Remedial Action Objectives

The FS reviewed multiple community, state, federal, and private documents to identify common expectations for the Fox River and Green Bay. From this review, five remedial action objectives were formulated. These objectives lay the foundation for remedial expectations for the FS and provide a metrics to measure long-term success. These objectives include:

- 1. Achieve surface water quality criteria, to the extent practicable;
- 2. Protect humans who consume aquatic organisms (i.e., remove consumption advisories);
- 3. Protect ecological receptors (i.e., healthy invertebrate, bird, fish, mammal populations);
- 4. Reduce transport of PCBs from the river into Green Bay and Lake Michigan; and

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5. Minimize contaminant releases during remediation.

These objectives can be further defined into measurable metrics for evaluating long-term remedial success. These measurable expectations were defined by WDNR and EPA as the ability for recreational anglers to consume fish within 10 years following completion of a remedy and 30 years for high-intake fish consumers for human health (RAO 2).

Ecological expectations were defined by WDNR and EPA as the ability to achieve safe ecological thresholds for piscivorous birds and mammals. Although not a specific metric, the FS used 30 years following remedy completion (RAO 3). These expectations assumed several years of active remediation followed by 30 years of recovery, after which the endpoints are measured and compared to protective fish tissue levels.

Other metrics used to measure remedial success include the time to achieve state surface water criteria (RAO 1) and the time for PCB loading rates from the Lower Fox River into Green Bay to equal the combined loading estimates from other tributaries into Green Bay (10 kg/yr PCBs) (RAO 4). For relative comparison between different remedies and action levels, the FS used 30 years following remedy completion to achieve these goals.

Array of Remedial Action Levels

The FS evaluated remedial alternatives, risks, duration, and costs relative to a series of potential sediment cleanup values. These values, termed "remedial action levels," were 125, 250, 500, 1,000, and 5,000 ppb PCBs. For all action levels, it

was assumed that different levels of residual risk would remain after remediation. Natural processes would be relied upon to further decrease COC sediment concentrations to protective levels.

Remedial Alternatives

Over 100 technologies were screened during the feasibility study. The remedial alternatives retained for detailed analysis included:

- A. No action;
- B. Monitored natural recovery (MNR);
- C. Dredge and off-site disposal;
- D. Dredge and on-site disposal (CDF);
- E. Dredge and thermal treatment;
- F. In-situ containment (capping); and
- G. Dredge to confined aquatic disposal (CAD) site.

The alternatives were considered for each of the four river reaches and Green Bay zones (Table 1). All of the active remedies are designed to be completed in 10 years, in combination with natural recovery after remedy completion, with the degree of recovery dependent on the action level selected. Each of these remedial options categories is discussed below. However, final selection of a remedy will be governed by site-specific conditions and expectations.

Monitored Natural Recovery. Natural recovery refers to the processes by which COCs decline over time by biodegradation, dilution, or transport mechanisms. Institutional controls will remain in place to restrict site use until the system has recovered to protective thresholds. Natural recovery of sediments

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primarily occurs through three processes: burial; mixing and transport; or dechlorination/ biodegradation. The FS determined that all three of these processes occur in the Lower Fox River system, but the success of these processes is continually areas, community disturbance, and potential release of contaminants to the environment during implementation. Removal of impacted sediments is a permanent solution and does not require long-term maintenance or access

Table 1 Summary of Evaluated Remedial Alternatives by Reach and Zone

		L	ower Fox R	liver Reache	s	(Freen B	ay Zone	s
	Alternative Description	Little Lake Butte des Morts	Appleton to Little Rapids	Little Rapids to De Pere	De Pere to Green Bay	Zone 2	Zone 3A	Zone 3B	Zone 4
Α	No Action	~	V	v	V	~	~	~	~
В	M onitored N atural R ecovery	•	•	•	•	~	•	•	•
С	Dredge and Off-Site Disposal	•	•	•	•	•	•		
D	Dredge to CDF	~		•	•	•	•	•	
Е	Dredge and Thermal Treat	•	•	•	•				
F	Сар	V		✓	✓				
G	Dredge to CAD					~	•	•	

influenced by ongoing physical processes resulting in limited overall effectiveness in many areas. To evaluate a natural recovery option, it was assumed that the current systems of dams on the river would remain in perpetuity. A long-term monitoring program would be implemented to ensure that sediment, water, and fish tissue PCBs would decline over time.

Removal (Dredging). Removal involves excavation of site sediments using mechanical hydraulic dredging or Dredging is a common techniques. practice for managing impacted sediments but would require careful consideration of: dewatering methods, disposal options, physical obstructions, site access, staging restrictions.

Treatment. The FS also evaluated treatment and non-treatment options. Retained treatment options included thermal, technologies such as desorption and vitrification, where the resulting product would have the potential for beneficial reuse.

Disposal. Disposal of dredged material can managed in three ways: permanent placement in upland, nearshore, and in-water facilities. It is generally expensive and requires intensive dewatering techniques to adequately prepare sediments for long-term disposal. Several on-site and off-site disposal options were retained in the FS including: nearshore fills, free-standing confined disposal facilities (CDFs), submerged aquatic disposal

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sites (CADs), and upland landfills where impacted sediments are placed in containment structures designed to isolate and contain contaminants over the long-term.

Containment (Capping). Containment physical isolation involves the immobilization of chemicals in sediments. Capping is a common method containing impacted sediments in-place. It would require long-term restrictions on site access and land use rights, in addition to long-term monitoring and maintenance to ensure integrity of the capping structure. The capping alternative would require careful consideration of site conditions, navigational channels, river currents, vessel propeller wash, water depths, and ice scour as well as other factors that may limit the installation and subsequent permanence of cap placement.

Comparative Analysis

Each alternative was compared to the nine evaluation criteria defined above for each river reach and Green Bay zone. reduction and overall protectiveness are discussed below. Implementablity and effectiveness were determined as feasible for each retained alternative based on availability, previous experience, performance-based results. Reduction of toxicity, mobility, and volume is related to Both are dependent on the action level selected. Thermal treatment is the only alternative that permanently reduces PCB volume and mass. Relative costs are community below, discussed and acceptance of the retained alternatives will be evaluated during public comment periods and outreach programs.

Risk Reduction

The ability of the seven remedial alternatives achieve the FS expectations quantified by relative risk reduction over time using hydrodynamic and bioaccumulation models over a projected 100-year time frame. These models predicted the number of years required to reach protective thresholds for human health and the environment (e.g., number of years required to remove fish consumption advisories). The projected number of years required to consistently meet protective water quality, human health, ecological transport health, and **PCB** thresholds following remediation (the RAOs) were compared to different action levels and costs for each alternative. Results are presented on Figures 2 and 3. A comparative analysis of action levels that meet protective levels between the different river reaches is presented on Figures 4 and 5.

Water Quality. The state surface water quality criteria for protection of human health are not met for any combination of remedial scenario and action level in the river. Only the wildlife criteria (0.12 ng/L) is met in 16 years after remediation for the 125 ppb action level, increasing to 69 years for the 1,000 ppb action level.

Human Health. As shown on Figures 4 and 5, in order to remove recreational fish consumption advisories within 10 years following remediation (WDNR's expectation), remedies implemented to the 1,000 ppb PCB action level for surface sediments would be required for most of the river reaches. Action levels ranging from 250 ppb to 1,000 ppb would be required to remove high-intake consumer advisories within 30 years following remediation depending upon the specific reach of the

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river. For Green Bay, none of the remedies are projected to achieve the protective human health values. These model projections account for dynamic physical properties of the system including water velocity, water depth, currents, flooding, natural deposition, scour events, and storm events.

Ecological Health. To meet the protective ecological thresholds in the expected 30following vear time frame remedy completion, an estimated minimum action level of 1,000 ppb would be required in the Little Lake Butte de Morts and Appleton to Little Rapids reaches. A minimum action level of 250 ppb would be required in the Little Rapids to De Pere and De Pere to Green Bay reaches. The No Action alternative (passive remediation) would require greater than 100 years to meet protective ecological thresholds in the Lower Fox River (Figure 4). In Green Bay, none of the remedies will meet protective ecological thresholds in 100 years based on projected fish tissue concentrations, regardless of the action taken in the Lower Fox River (Figure 5).

PCB Transport. One of the long-term goals of the project is to reduce the transport and load of PCBs to Green Bay, and subsequent movement to Lake Michigan. The total annual average loading rates of PCBs to Green Bay from all tributaries combined (without the Fox River) is currently 10 kg/year PCBs. The Fox River fate and transport models were used to predict the number of years required to reduce the PCB loads from the Fox River into Green Bay over time after remedy completion. At the expected 30-year time frame following remedy completion, the projected loading rates from the Fox River

were compared to the loading rates of all other Green Bay tributaries combined. These levels could be considered "background" levels.

Remedies to at least the 5,000 ppb action level would be required in the De Pere to Bay Reach to meet projected Green expectations. PCB load expectations for these two action levels would require 24 years to meet tributary levels. At the 1,000 ppb action level, the target level is achieved in 4 years following remediation. The model predications for PCB loading rates from the mouth of the Fox River (De Pere to Green Bay Reach) takes into consideration the cumulative PCB loads from the upper reaches; therefore, only the last reach was evaluated in the FS.

It is important to note there is uncertainty associated with these projected estimations of reduction and duration to protective thresholds. The model projections were calibrated over a finite time interval and projected out to 100 years based on the trends observed during the short calibration period. The projected risk reductions/durations cannot predict the actual reach protective number of years to with considerable precision. thresholds However, the strength of these models is the relative risk reduction estimates for comparing between different action levels and remedial alternatives. More information on the models may be found in the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Model Documentation Report.

FS Costs

Total remediation costs were estimated for each remediation alternative and each PCB action level (±30 percent), as presented on Figures 2 and 3. In the Lower Fox River, the

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costs for active remediation (Alternatives C through F) range from approximately \$38,300,000 to \$769,100,000 per river reach (Table 2). In Green Bay, the costs for active remediation (Alternatives C, D, from approximately and G) range \$11,000,000 to \$1,155,100,000 (Table 3). Costs include land acquisition, mobilization, permits, facility construction, dewatering, and dredging materials, labor oversight, public outreach, site restoration efforts, operation and maintenance costs, in addition to longterm monitoring efforts for 30 years following remediation.

The cost for passive remediation, or monitored natural recovery (Alternative B), is approximately \$9,900,000 per reach/zone over a 30-year period. MNR costs include maintenance of institutional controls along with sediment, surface water, bird and fish tissue sampling, and invertebrate sampling events conducted every 5 years for 30 years. Costs are calculated as net present worth costs.

The largest variability in costs are observed between different action levels. Remediation costs are directly proportional to sediment volumes; therefore, as the action level decreases (becomes more protective), the sediment volume requiring removal increases and the cost increases. For example, the cost to place an in-situ sand cap (Alternative F) in the Little Lake Butte des Morts Reach will approximately \$145,200,000 at the 125 ppb action level but only \$66,200,000 at the 5,000 ppb action level.

When comparing costs between different alternatives in the Lower Fox River, the active remedy costs are 3 to 78 times

higher than the passive remedy costs. Among the active remedies, the Dredge and Treat Alternative is the least-cost remedy (ranging from a 3-fold to 40-fold increase over the MNR Alternative). The Capping Alternative and Dredge to CDF Alternative are generally the medium-cost remedies (ranging from a 4-fold to 60-fold increase over the MNR Alternative). The Dredge and Off-site Disposal Alternative is the highest-cost remedy (ranging from a 4-fold to 78-fold increase over the MNR Alternative). In Green Bay, the active remedy costs are similar when compared within a single action level.

Further Information

Remedy selection for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay will be based on the information contained within the RI, RA and FS, as well as numerous opportunities for input by the public and interested parties. For further information regarding the Lower Fox River RI, FS, RA, or MDR documents, please contact:

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Figure 2 Lower Fox River Summary of Remedial Action Levels and Projects Risk Reduction by Reach

Lower Fox River	Remediation		PCB /	Action Level (pp	ob)		Maximun		Meets Risk Reductio	n Criteria
Reaches	Alternative	125	250	500	1,000	5,000	RAO 1 SWQ	RAO 2 HH	RAO 3 Eco	RAO 4 Transport
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Little Lake Butte	Impacted Volume (cy)	1,689,173	1,322,818	1,023,621	784,192	281,689	102	\bigoplus_{3}	102	Ų
des Morts	PCB Mass (kg)	1,838	1,814	1,782	1,715	1,329				1
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)	-,	-,	-,	-,	-,				
	A/B: No Action	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900				
	C1: Dredge, Off-site Disp. (Pass. Dewater)	\$231,500	\$185,600	\$147,800	\$116,700	\$48,500				NA
	C2: Dredge, Off-site Disp. (Mech. Dewater)	\$126,200	\$102,500	\$82,800	\$66,200	\$28,300				
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	\$116,000	\$110,300	\$105,100	\$68,000	\$54,500				
	E: Dredge and Thermal Treatment	\$117,200	\$96,000	\$78,500	\$63,600	\$29,300				
	F: Cap and Dredge to CDF	\$145,200	\$138,600	\$99,300	\$90,500	\$66,200				
Appleton to	Impacted Volume (cy)	182,450	80,611	56,998	46,178	20,148		_		
Little Rapids	PCB Mass (kg)	106	99	95	92	67				
1	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)									274
	A/B: No Action	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900				NA
	C: Dredge, Off-site Disp.	\$38,300	\$25,000	\$21,700	\$20,100	\$16,500				
	E: Dredge and Thermal Treatment	\$26,200	\$19,700	\$17,900	\$17,100	\$15,200				
Little Rapids to	Impacted Volume (cy)	1,483,156	1,171,585	776,791	586,788	186,348				
De Pere	PCB Mass (kg)	1,210	1,192	1,157	1,111	798				
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)									
	A/B: No Action	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900				
	C1: Dredge to NR 500 Facility (Pass. Dewater)	\$224,200	\$180,700	\$124,200	\$95,100	\$38,100				
	C2A: Dredge to Comb. Dewater/Disp. Facility	\$72,300	\$63,200	\$51,400	\$43,900	\$32,400				NA
	C2B: Dredge to Sep. Dewater/Disp. Facilities	\$179,800	\$152,800	\$118,300	\$99,900	\$65,300				
	C3: Dredge to NR 500 Facility (Mech. Dewater)	\$161,700	\$130,800	\$90,300	\$69,100	\$28,400				
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	\$72,300	\$66,800	\$58,400	\$52,500	\$44,400				
	E: Dredge and Thermal Treatment	\$142,700	\$123,800	\$99,500	\$86,200	\$61,900				
	F: Cap and Dredge to CDF	\$143,700	\$114,300	\$87,800	\$62,900	\$34,700				
De Pere to	Impacted Volume (cy)	6,868,500	6,449,065	6,169,458	5,879,529	4,517,391				
Green Bay	TSCA Volume (cy)	240,778	240,778	240,778	240,778	240,778				
	PCB Mass (kg)	26,620	26,581	26,528	26,433	24,950				
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)									
	A/B: No Action	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900				
	C1: Dredge to NR 500 Facility (Pass. Dewater)	\$769,100	\$723,100	\$692,300	\$660,600	\$511,100				
	C2A: Dredge to Comb. Dewater/Disp. Facility	\$196,000	\$186,900	\$180,400	\$173,500	\$138,700				
	C2B: Dredge to Sep. Dewater/Disp. Facilities	\$564,500	\$534,100	\$513,500	\$491,800	\$388,000				
	C3: Dredge to NR 500 Facility (Mech. Dewater)	\$595,200	\$561,000	\$537,800	\$513,500	\$397,200				
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	\$611,800	\$566,400	\$536,200	\$505,100	\$360,700				
	E: Dredge and Thermal Treatment	\$404,500	\$384,000	\$370,000	\$355,100	\$283,300				
	F: Cap and Dredge to CDF	\$432,600	\$403,900	\$381,900	\$357,100	\$234,400				

Notes:

Threshold criteria used to evaluate risk reduction:

RAO 1: 1 = Wildlife Criteria 30-year, 2 = Human Surface Water Drinking Criteria 30-year.

RAO 2: 1 = High-intake Fish Consumer Cancer 30-year, 2 = High-intake Fish Consumer Noncancer 30-year,

3 = Recreational Angler Cancer 10-year, 4 = Recreational Angler Noncancer 10-year.

RAO 3: 1 = Carnivorous Bird Deformity NOAEC 30-year, 2 = Piscivorous Mammal NOAEC 30-year.

RAO 4: 1 = Tributary Load to Reach Green Bay Level 30-year.

NA - Not applicable.

Action Level (ppb) that Consistently Meets Criteria after 10 or 30 Years of Recovery after Remediation Completion

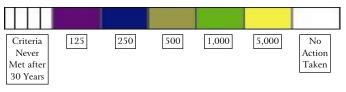


Figure 3 Green Bay Summary of Remedial Action Levels and Projected Risk Reduction by Zone

Green Bay Zone	Remediation		Ac	tion Level (ppb)		Maxim	um Action Level that Related to	Meets Risk Reduction Project RAOs	n Criteria
Green Bay Zone	Alternative	125	250	500	1,000	5,000	RAO 1 SWQ	RAO 2 HH	RAO 3 Eco	RAO 4 Transport
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Green Bay	Impacted Volume (cy)	NE	NE	29,748,004	29,322,254	4,070,170				1
Zone 2	PCB Mass (kg)	NE	NE	29,896	29,768	6,113				
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)									
	A/B: No Action	NA	NA	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	NE			NA
	C: Dredge, Off-site Disp.	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$507,200				
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	NA	NA	\$824,700	\$814,100	\$166,500				
	G: Dredge to CAD	NA	NA	\$707,400	\$697,800	\$124,000				
Green Bay	Impacted Volume (cy)	NE	NE	16,328,102	14,410	NE				
Zone 3A	PCB Mass (kg)	NE	NE	2,156	2	NE				
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)									
	A/B: No Action	NA	NA	\$9,900	\$9,900	NA	NE			NA
	C: Dredge, Off-site Disp.	NA	NA	NA	\$11,000	NA				
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	NA	NA	\$474,300	NA	NA				
	G: Dredge to CAD	NA	NA	\$389,100	NA	NA				
Green Bay	Impacted Volume (cy)	NE	NE	43,625,096	NE	NE				
Zone 3B	PCB Mass (kg)	NE	NE	4,818	NE	NE				
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)						NE			NA
	A/B: No Action	NA	NA	\$9,900	NA	NA	NE			INA
	D: Dredge to CDF, Off-site TSCA Disp.	NA	NA	\$1,155,100	NA	NA				
	G: Dredge to CAD	NA	NA	\$1,010,900	NA	NA		_	_	
Green Bay	Impacted Volume (cy)	NE	NE	0	NE	NE				
Zone 4	PCB Mass (kg)	NE	NE	0	NE	NE	NE			NA
	Remedial Cost (in 1,000s \$)						INE			INA
	A/B: No Action	NA	NA	\$9,900	NA	NA				

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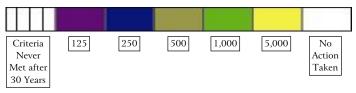


Figure 4 Comparison of Human Health Protectiveness - All Reaches

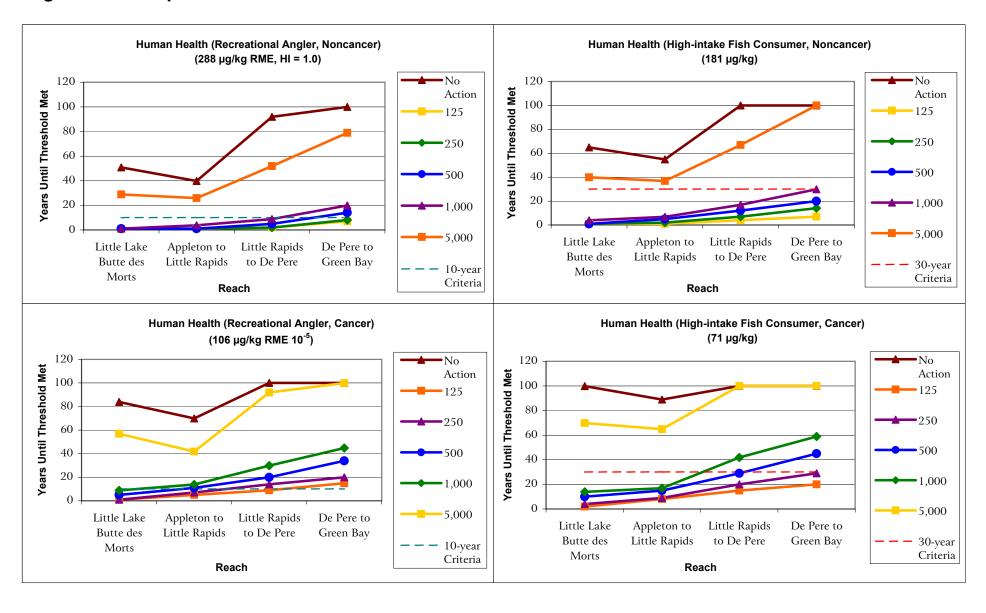
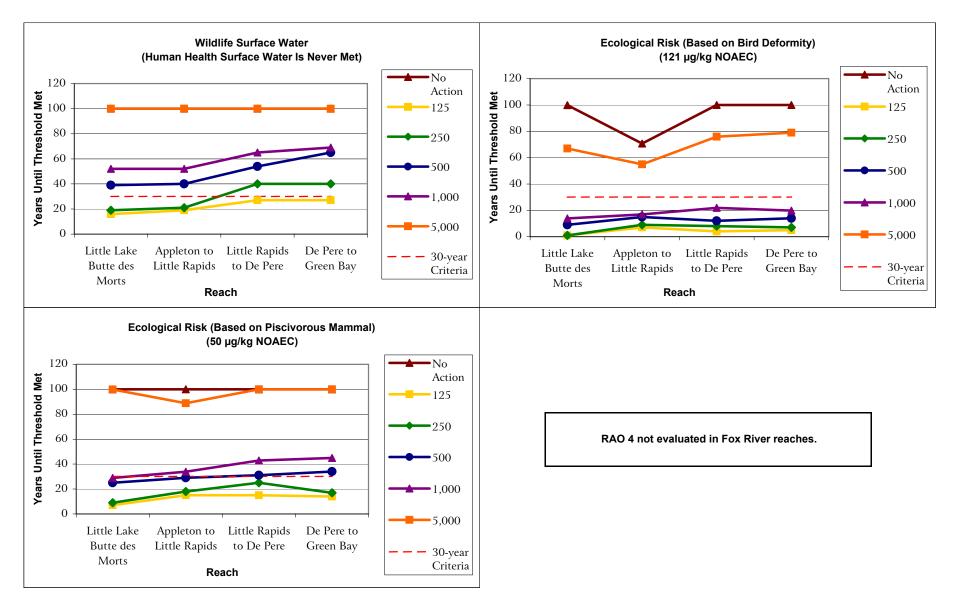


Figure 5 Comparison of Protection - All Reaches



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2,3,7,8-TCDD 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin 2,3,7,8-TCDF 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-furan

°C degrees centigrade °F degrees Fahrenheit

 μ g/kg micrograms per kilogram μ g/L micrograms per liter AOC Area of Concern

APEG potassium polyethylene glycol

ARAR Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirement
ARCS Assessment and Remediation of Contaminated Sediments

ASRA Alternative-specific Risk Assessment

ATP anaerobic thermal processor
AVM acoustic velocity meter
BBL Blasland, Bouck, and Lee
BCD base catalyzed decomposition

Be-7 beryllium-7

BLRA Baseline Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment

BOD SMU 56/57 Basis of Design Report

CAD confined aquatic disposal

CAMP Comprehensive Analysis of Mitigation Pathways

CDF confined disposal facility

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and

Liability Act of 1980 (Superfund Statute)

cf cubic feet

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

cfs cubic feet per second CH highly plastic clay

cm centimeter

cm/s centimeters per second cm/yr centimeters per year COC chemical of concern

COPC chemical of potential concern

Cs-137 cesium 137

CTE central tendency exposure CTF confined treatment facility

CWA Clean Water Act

cy cubic yard

cy/hr cubic yards per hour

DAMOS Disposal Area Monitoring System

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DDD 4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl dichloroethane (includes isomers o,p'-DDD

and p,p'-DDD)

DDE 4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl dichloroethylene (includes isomers

o,p'-DDE and p,p'-DDE)

DDT 4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl trichloroethylene (includes isomers

o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT)

DGPS differential global positioning system

DM data management DO dissolved oxygen

DOD United States Department of Defense

DOER Dredging Operations and Environmental Research Program

DRE destruction removal efficiency

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency ESRI Environmental Systems Research Institute

EWI Engineering Associated, Inc.

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FRDB Fox River Database

FRFood Lower Fox River Food Web Model

FRG Fox River Group FRM Fox River Model FS Feasibility Study

ft foot or feet
ft² square feet
ft³ cubic feet
ft/ft feet per foot
ft/s feet per second

g gram

g/cc grams per cubic centimeter GAC granular activated carbon

GAS Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer and Associates, Inc.

GBFood Green Bay Food Web Model

GBHYDRO Green Bay Hydrodynamics Model GBMBS Green Bay Mass Balance Study

GBSED Green Bay Sediment Transport Model

GBTOX Green Bay Toxics Model

GBTOXe Enhanced Green Bay Toxics Model

g/cm³ grams per cubic centimeter

GLNPO Great Lakes National Program Office (EPA)
GLSFA Great Lakes Sport Fish Advisory Task Force

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GLWQI Great Lakes Water Quality Initiative

GM General Motors
gpm gallons per minute
GRA general response action
HAZMAT hazardous materials
HDPE high-density polyethylene

HI hazard index HQ hazard quotient

HTTD high-temperature thermal desorption

IDA inter-deposit area

IGLD International Great Lakes Datum
 IJC International Joint Commission
 K_d log soil/water partition coefficient

kg kilogram

kg/yr kilograms per year

km kilometer

km² square kilometer

 K_{oc} organic carbon partitioning coefficient K_{ow} octanol water partitioning coefficient

L liter

LCL Lower Confidence Limit

LFR Lower Fox River

LLBdM Little Lake Butte des Morts

LOAEC Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Concentration

LTA long-term average

LTMP Long-term Monitoring Plan

m meter

m² square meter m³ cubic meter

m/s meters per second cubic meters per second

mg/cm² milligrams per square centimeter

mg/kg milligrams per kilogram mg/L milligrams per liter MH high-compressibility silt

mi² square mile

m/km meters per kilometer

MNR monitored natural recovery

Mpa mega Pascal

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MSL mean sea level MT metric tons

MT/yr metric tons per year

NAAQS National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards

NAS National Academy of Sciences NCP National Contingency Plan

NESHAPS National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants

ng/kg nanograms per kilogram ng/L nanograms per liter

NGVD29 National Geodetic Vertical Datum 1929

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOAEC No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NR Natural Recovery

NRC National Research Council

NRDA Natural Resources Damage Estimate

O&M operation and maintenance OBAI Ogden-Beeman and Associates

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PAH polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon

PCB polychlorinated biphenyl

PCDD dibenzo-p-dioxin

PCH planar chlorinated hydrocarbon

PCP pentachlorophenol

POTW publicly-owned treatment works PPE personal protective equipment

ppb parts per billion ppm parts per million ppt parts per trillion

PRP potentially responsible party psi pounds per square inch PSNS Puget Sound Naval Shipyard

 $Q_{7.10}$ 7-day average low stream flow with a 10-year frequency

RA Risk Assessment

RAO Remedial Action Objective RBFC risk-based fish concentration

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RETEC Remediation Technologies, Inc.

RI Remedial Investigation

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RI/FS Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study

RME reasonable maximum exposure

ROD Record of Decision rpm revolutions per minute SCS Soil Conservation Service

SEDTEC Sediment Technologies CD-ROM by Environment Canada

SFV stream flow velocity

SITE Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation

SLRA Screening Level Risk Assessment
SMU Sediment Management Unit
SQT sediment quality threshold

SRD sediment remediation demonstration

SVE soil vapor extraction

SVOC semivolatile organic compound

SWAC surface-weighted average concentration

TBC information "to be considered" TEL threshold effect concentration

TEQ toxic equivalency factor
TMDL total maximum daily loads

TOC total organic carbon

TSCA Toxic Substances Control Act

TSS total suspended solids
TWA time-weighted average
UCL Upper Confidence Limit

UFR Upper Fox River

UFR/LFR Upper Fox River/Lower Fox River Sediment Transport Model

UP Michigan's Upper Peninsula U.S. United States of America

USACE United States Army Corps of Engineers

U.S.C. United States Code

U.S.C.A. United States Code, Amended USCS Unified Soil Classification System

USFWS United States Fish and Wildlife Service

USGS United States Geological Survey

UV ultraviolet

VOC volatile organic compound

v/v volume per volume

WAC Wisconsin Administrative Code

WASP4 Water Quality Analysis Simulation Program Version 4

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WDNR Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

wLFR whole Lower Fox River

wLFRM Whole Lower Fox River Fate and Transport Model WPDES Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

WQC water quality criteria

WSEV Window Subsampling Empirical Variance

w/w weight per weight

WY water year

yr year

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